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SKIING POPULAR WINTER SPORT IN WILLIAMS

Pleasure Participated in By Old and Young—Conditions For Enjoyment Ideal

At this season of the year, with the country covered with two feet or more of snow, the thots of those in Williams who are fond of outdoor sport turn to skiing. The snow covers most of the boulders and brush which make walking difficult at other seasons of the year, and provides a smooth surface on hill and mountainside and offers ideal conditions for the ideal sport.

The colored man's recipe for for rabbit stew required that "fust yo git de rabbit." So in skiing the first requirement is that you get the skis. In Williams the ski is so well known that a description is not needed for local readers, but for the benefit of out-of-town readers many of whom may know nothing about the sport, it seems quite proper to tell something about the "rabbit."

Skis are made of wood and may be and are made of several different kinds of wood. Oak, hickory and ash are popular wood for ski making. For children, softer woods are frequently used and pine is used as much as any other soft wood.

Thin strips of wood ranging from 6 to 8 feet in length and having a width of 4 inches and a thickness of $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch, varying from thin to thick in different parts of the ski, are turned into a beautiful curve at the thin end.

The foot rests on the ski a little back of the center and the toe of the shoe is slipped into a loop. The experienced skier will have his ski strapped firmly to his foot, but he who is just learning will prefer to have his foot loose so that it can be easily freed from the ski. He will save himself from many a fall by so doing.

A pole called the ski pole is used with skis. The pole has a disk near one end to keep it from penetrating the snow very far. The pole serves an excellent purpose in helping the skier to maintain his balance; it varies in length and may be anywhere from 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet to 8 feet; the usual length is about 5 feet but some skiers prefer a long pole.

While the ski is very useful as a means of travel over a snow clad plain, it is not practical to climb steep declivities with it and the sportsman will carry his skis up hill and glide down on them.

In walking with skis the foot is lifted very little, if at all. The foot is pushed forward and locomotion is very easy.

It requires some little time to acquire expert use of skis. One must learn to so balance the body that the skis may be guided with little use of the ankle. By swinging the body right or left guidance is given to the skis without conscious effort on the part of the skiman.

Skiing is an exhilarating sport; the skiman experiences pleasurable thrills as he cuts the air in the decent of the long hill. His skill is put to the test in passing safely over an undulating surface. A mishap buries him wellnigh, if not really,

Appealed to Superior Court

The cases of the Town of Williams vs L. O. Vanderventer, Vernon Snyder, Maggie Harris and Jo Palmer were up in the police court for hearing Monday. The defendant, L. O. Vanderventer, thru his attorney Judge X. N. Steeve, demurred to the town's complaint upon the grounds:

First:

That this court has no jurisdiction of the offense charged therein and that said complaint is not found, made, endorsed or presented as prescribed or required by the laws of the State of Arizona.

Second:

That the said complaint herein does not substantially, or at all conform to the requirements of Sections 934, 935, and 936 of the Penal code of the State of Arizona; either as to the title of the action, the name of the court to which it is presented, or the names of the parties; and it does not state the acts constituting the offense charged in ordinary or concise language in such manner as to enable any person to know what is intended; and it is not direct, or certain as it regards the parties charged, or the offense charged, or the particular circumstances of the offense charged, all of which are necessary to constitute a complete offense.

Third:

That more than one offense is charged in said complaint.

Fourth:

That the facts stated in said complaint do not constitute a public offense, or any offense.

Police Judge Sine sustained the demurrer and F. M. Gold, representing the Town of Williams, gave notice of appeal from the court's decision to the Superior Court. The Town has 5 days to file the appeal.

The case of Maggie Harris, Vernon Snyder and Jo Palmer hinge on the Vanderventer case and the bondsmen of Vanderventer, Snyder and Harris were released and the case of Palmer was continued for three weeks. Vanderventer, Snyder and Harris are still, technically, in the custody of the court but released without bond.

The demurrer was consented to by the Town's attorney for the purpose of getting a ruling by the Superior Court on disputed points of law.

out of sight in some deep snow-drift.

The streets of Williams, running well up the mountainside, furnish splendid opportunities for skiing and old and young, both male and female, make occasion frequently to enjoy an hour or so on skis. Coasting is fine sport, but for bold spirits the ski fills a place in sport which the coaster cannot occupy. The personal element is large in skiing. The successful descent is a personal victory, enjoyed in proportion to the hazard.

From what has been said of skiing it should not be inferred that it is particularly a masculine sport. Indeed, Williams has skillful skiwomen as well as skimen. They attempt and accomplish the most difficult descents.

ILLNESS PROVES FATAL

It is with profound sorrow that the News announces this week the death of Allan Montgomery whose serious illness was reported in these columns last week. When the News went to press last Thursday, reports came from the bedside of Allan that the outlook for recovery was encouraging tho the crisis had not been passed. There was improvement until the end of the week. On Sunday, however, his fever rose to an alarming height and he rapidly grew worse and died at six o'clock Monday morning.

His mind remained clear to the last, and about an hour before death came he called his father to his bedside and telling him that he could not stand it any longer. But a little while after his spirit was freed from the suffering body.

The News experiences a sense of deep loss in the death of Allan Montgomery. He had been working in the News' pressroom for about two years and had acquired a remarkable degree of efficiency. Always willing, and ready for any part assigned to him and anxious to learn, he had become an important part of the News staff. With exemplary habits and a clean healthy mind, Allan's presence was an inspiration. The News was proud of its "devil" and junior pressman and compositor.

ALLEN ROBERT MONTGOMERY

Allen Robert Montgomery was born in Nickerson, Pine county, Minnesota, August 15, 1902. He was brought to Williams by his parents in 1907, and here he lived until the time of his death, January 29, 1917, at the age of fourteen.

To the bereaved ones in the Montgomery home it seems as tho the Great Reaper has knocked and asked for the most precious treasure of the household. They feel as if the pillar of the household has been removed. And in this because of the way the loving, earnest, faithful and trustworthy character of the third son of the family had worked into their hearts to cheer, to gladden and to strengthen.

Allen Montgomery had not known corporal punishment of even the mildest kind, either from parent or teachers from the time he emerged from babyhood and the light of understanding began to dawn in his mind as a child. This not because punishment would have been withheld had it been merited but because it was never merited. Only a word of correction. Only a suggestion that a thing was wrong and the wrong was never repeated. Honesty, obedience, trustworthiness and a keen desire to help and to please his parents and those about him, seemed to spring up in this young character as by instinct. As his grieving father sadly stated, he could tell Allen that a thing needed to be done, in the morning, and he need not give it another thot, for it would be done when he came home at night. He was his mother's pride and joy and help, not only quick to assist her in everything she might suggest but ever eager to find ways to help and to please. His brothers and sis-

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ALLEN MONTGOMERY AT REST

Business of Town Suspended Two Hours That All Might Attend Funeral Obsequies—Long Procession Followed Remains To Pine Clad Cemetery.

The general esteem in which the better human qualities are held and the general desire to honor such qualities on all fitting occasions was made manifest yesterday by the general observance of the funeral obsequies of Allen Montgomery.

The business of the town was suspended for two hours that all might pay respect to him who had exemplified those qualities in large measure.

At one o'clock many sympathizing friend had gathered at the Montgomery home and from then until the funeral procession started for the church they continued to arrive and when the procession started, with the Boys Band in the lead, a large concourse of people followed in automobiles and on foot.

The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful. The casket was buried in a wealth of flowers, a floral blanket forming a cover and on this were piled wreaths and other floral decorations in great profusion. Allan's classmates, each bearing a large bouquet, marched to the church with the band.

The funeral services in the church were conducted by Rev. Summers, the M. E. pastor. The church rites with appropriate songs were impressive. After the assemblage had viewed for the last time the still face of the deceased the funeral cortege was formed and the solemn march to the cemetery was begun, the band boys leading, on foot. Every one who could get a seat in an automobile went to the cemetery. Many more would have gone except for the lack of conveyance.

The last rites at the grave were simple, the band playing a stanza of "Nearer, My God, To Thee" which was followed by the customary ritual for commitment of the body to the earth from which it came and then another stanza by the band of the same metrical strains. The casket containing all that was mortal of Allan Montgomery had been lowered into a grave dug beneath the pine trees of the I. O. O. F. cemetery and the funeral obsequies were completed.

Mrs. Wm. Haven and Mrs. Sid Terry came down from the Canyon yesterday to attend the funeral of Allan Montgomery.

HON. TOM CAMPBELL DEFAC TO GOVERNOR

The Supreme Court of Arizona handed down a decision Jan. 27 which made Hon. Thos. E. Campbell defacto governor of Arizona. The court was not unanimous in the opinion that the certificate of election which had been issued to Tom Campbell was sufficient title to the office. Justice Cunningham dissented. Governor Campbell very quickly forwarded his first message to the legislature and conditions in the legislative department of the State government are now normal.

IMPORTANT REAL ESTATE TRANSACTINN

Within a few days Mr. R. C. Wente has acquired by purchase, title to lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 3, Lot 1 and 2 having been purchased from Jeff Evans of San Pedro, Calif., and Lot 3 from Joseph Johnston of Phoenix, Arizona.

Mr. Wente has not returned yet from the east where he went several days ago to attend a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Saginaw & Manistee Lumber Co., so that the News can not obtain from him information as to his plans for using his newly acquired property. That he intends to make early use of it is evidenced by the fact that the Railroad Ave. occupants of the property have vacated the buildings in which they were conducting business. Rumor has it that a modern hotel will occupy a part of the ground and that a garage and auto sales establishment will also occupy a part. Indeed it is affirmed that Williams men are even now on the coast making arrangements for material for buildings and machinery for the garage. The News will publish more definite information as soon as it can be obtained.

Still Kicking John Barley Corn's Dawg Around!

Washington, 1 23; "Bone dry" prohibition for both Alaska and Hawaii virtually was decided upon today by the house territories committee. The re-introduced Wickershaw bill to prohibit manufacture, sale, gift possession or transportation of liquors in Alaska was ordered reported favorably to the house. The Hawaiian bill then was taken up and the main features of the Alaskan bill were written into it after the committee had eliminated provisions that would make prohibition dependent upon petitions of the Hawaiian people.

Little Rock, Ark., Jan. 24.—The Arkansas House of Representatives today passed the Senate prohibition bill making the State "bone dry" Governor C. H. Brouch announced he will sign the act. The bill becomes effective as soon as signed.

Indianapolis, Jan. 25.—By a vote of 70 to 28 the lower branch of the State Legislature late today passed the Wright bill prohibiting the sale, manufacture, distribution or advertisement of liquor in the State after Jan. 1, 1918.

The bill now goes to the Senate for action. The present lineup in the Senate is 24 "dry" and 18 "wet".

The House galleries today were crowded with prohibition workers, who cheered the passage of the bill.

Promoted To Run On Thru Freight

Smiley Jones, engineer on the Williams Log Run, has been transferred to Winslow and given a run on the Santa Fe thru freight. He left Saturday with his family for Winslow where they will make their home in future.

ED JOHNSON HOME NEARLY COMPLETED

The Last Word In Bungalow Construction, It Will Be Occupied In About Two Weeks The home which Ed Johnson is building in Block 23 on 5th St., is nearing completion and Mr. Johnson expects to move into it in about two weeks.

Mr. Johnson's house is the last word in bungalow construction and is a credit to its designer and to workmen whom Baumann & Hinds, the contractors, have assembled to execute the plans prepared.

The house will be entered by way of a commodious front porch which is unique in its design and large enough to provide seating capacity for a considerable party. From the front porch is an entrance to the living room which is lighted by seven full windows. At the north end of the living room is the fire place the stack for which is entirely without the walls of the house.

A large door leads from the living room into a hallway which gives room for a stairway leading to the attic. Doors also open from the hallway into the dining room, bathroom two bedrooms and the kitchen. The bedrooms and bathroom are on the south side of the hall and the kitchen on the north side.

A door opens from the living room into the dining room and then west of the dining room and north of the kitchen is the breakfast room; west of the kitchen is a back porch from which opens a door into the basement.

In the attic are two large and well lighted bedrooms. The ceilings below are 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet in the clear and the chamber ceilings are 8 feet in the clear. Closets, so dear to the housewife, are everywhere, and very roomy.

Mr. Johnson has his kitchen and bathroom plastered and the walls checked. All other walls will be papered on muslin in the conventional way.

The Johnson bungalow will be exceedingly well lighted, an unusual number of windows being placed in the outside walls. Heat will be supplied by a combination furnace placed in the basement. The sewage of the house from both bath and kitchen, will be piped to a cesspool on Mr. Johnson's own premises.

Taken all in all the Ed Johnson bungalow is a model of convenience and provides all of the comforts of a modern home. It is ornamented sufficiently to please the eye, but escapes being bizarre by carrying ornamentation to a vulgar extreme.

Cameron vs Bass

The United States District Court for the district of Arizona recently decided the case of the United States vs Ralph Cameron et al and the defendants were given sixty days to perfect their appeal.

This is the case wherein Ralph Cameron secured an injunction against W. W. Bass to prevent him from erecting an office on the Cape Horn mining claim at the head of the Bright Angel trail. This action has been pending for some time and was appealed from the Superior Court for Coconino county.